

THE CITY OF WARWICK
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NO..... DATE.....

APPROVED.....MAYOR

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE WARWICK SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO
PROVIDE THE DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS UTILIZED BY
MR. RAGOSTA IN PREPARING HIS REPORT

Resolved that,

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Warwick are matters of paramount importance to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, issues have developed within the School Department which are of serious concern to the citizens of the City and the members of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, those issues include how allegations of inappropriate behavior by a teacher were handled by school department administrators; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that public confidence in the City's school department be maintained at a high level; and

WHEREAS, the City Council received the so-called Ragosta Report through subpoena; and

WHEREAS, it has been stated that other materials exist regarding the handling of the allegations of inappropriate behavior by a teacher, such as interview notes, depositions, memos, emails, recordings or other relevant information that was used by Mr. Ragosta in compiling his report; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-14 of the Warwick City Charter states that:
The council shall have power by resolution to inquire into the conduct of any officer, department or agency of the city and to make an investigation relating to city affairs and for such purpose may subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, and compel the production of books, records, papers and other evidence; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to review the materials and documents utilized by Mr. Ragosta in preparing his report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby requests that the School Committee deliver to the City Council the materials and documents utilized by Mr.

1 Ragosta in preparing his report including interview notes, depositions, memos, emails,
2 recordings or other relevant information.

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4 The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chairperson
5 and the members of the School Committee.

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7 This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.
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17 COMMITTEE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL
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